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INFO AMEMBASSY PANAMA

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TAGS:POR, ILO, PN

SUBJECT:PANAMA RESOLUTION AT ILO

REF: BOWIE-GOOD TELECON OF JUNE 8

1. PANAMANIAN WORKER DELEGATION RESOLUTION IS UNFORTUNATE EXAMPLE OF CERTAIN PANAMANIAN EFFORTS TO EMBARRASS U.S. AND TO EXERCISE PRESSURE THROUGH INTERNATIONAL FORA. IT IS ALSO THE KIND OF MISUSE OF ILO FORUM WHICH HAS CONTRIBUTED TO ORGANIZATION'S PRESENT PROBLEMS. GIVEN FACT CNTP PRO-VIDES WORKER REP, WE HAVE LITTLE LEVERAGE TO EFFECT WITHDRAWAL OR PANAMANIAN SUBMISSION OF MORE BALANCED RESOLUTION.

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2. IN LIGHT OF ABOVE, USDEL MAY PROCEED ALONG FOLLOWING LINES:

(A) MAKE STATEMENT AT APPROPRIATE TIME POINTING OUT THE TOTALLY UNBALANCED NATURE OF THE RESOLUTION. NOTE THAT IT IS INACCURATE IN MANY RESPECTS. THIS RESOLUTION WELL

ILLUSTRATES NEED FOR FOLLOWING ESTABLISHED INVESTIGATORY PROCEDURES. IT ALSO SHOWS NEED FOR REFORMS CONTEMPLATED IN REVISION OF ARTICLE 17 OF STANDING ORDERS. USREP MAY ALSO NOTE THAT CANAL NEGOTIATIONS ARE PROCEEDING IN WASHINGTON AT THE PRESENT TIME (CURRENT ROUND COMMENCED MAY 9, RECESSED MAY 31 AND RESUMED AGAIN JUNE 8).

(B) USDEL MAY AS APPROPRIATE QUIETLY ENCOURAGE OTHER GOVERNMENT, WORKER AND EMPLOYER REPS TO DEFEAT RESOLUTION. IN THIS EFFORT, USDEL MIGHT WISH TO POINT OUT THAT U.S. MINIMUM WAGE APPLIES TO ALL WORKERS REGARDLESS OF NATIONALITY IN THE CANAL ZONE AND THAT WORKERS ARE REPRESENTED BY UNIONS WHICH APPEAR TO HAVE LITTLE INTEREST IN SUPPORTING RESOLUTION AS NOW WRITTEN. VANCE

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